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Sincerely,

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### Idaho Milk Production Up 3.4 Percent

Idaho milk production during February 2011 totaled 968 million pounds, a 3.4 percent increase from the same month last year, but down 9.1 percent from January 2011. January 2011 milk production was revised to 1.07 billion pounds, down 13 million pounds from the preliminary level. Average milk production per cow in February 2011 was 1,690 pounds, unchanged from February 2010. The average number of milk cows during February was 573,000 head, up 19,000 from February 2010, but unchanged from January 2011.

Milk production in the 23 major States during February totaled 14.0 billion pounds, up 2.4 percent from February 2010. January revised production at 15.2 billion pounds, was up 2.5 percent from January 2010. The January revision represented a decrease of 21 million pounds or 0.1 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate. Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,666 pounds for February, 24 pounds above February 2010. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.40 million head, 81,000 head more than February 2010, but no change from January 2011.

### Milk Cows and Production: by Month, Idaho, 2010-2011

Month	Milk Cows <sup>1/</sup>		Milk Per Cow <sup>2/</sup>		Milk Production <sup>2/</sup>		Change From 2010
	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011	
	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>Pounds</i>		<i>Million Pounds</i>		<i>Percent</i>
January*	551	573	1,860	1,860	1,025	1,066	4.0
February	554	573	1,690	1,690	936	968	3.4
March	554		1,880		1,042		
April	557		1,850		1,030		
May	559		1,940		1,084		
June	562		1,910		1,073		
July	569		2,000		1,138		
August	571		2,000		1,142		
September	571		1,900		1,085		
October	572		1,930		1,104		
November	572		1,830		1,047		
December	574		1,870		1,073		
Annual	564		22,658		12,779		

\*Revised 1/ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh. 2/ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

# Milk Production, Average Number of Cows, Selected States, February 2010-2011

State	Milk Cows <sup>1/</sup>		Milk Per Cow <sup>2/</sup>		Milk Production <sup>2/</sup>		Change From 2010
	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011	
	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>Pounds</i>		<i>Million Pounds</i>		<i>Percent</i>
Arizona	170	185	1,940	1,915	330	354	7.3
California	1,760	1,752	1,755	1,805	3,089	3,162	2.4
Colorado	116	123	1,800	1,795	209	221	5.7
Florida	113	118	1,595	1,715	180	202	12.2
Idaho	554	573	1,690	1,690	936	968	3.4
Illinois	101	98	1,530	1,530	155	150	-3.2
Indiana	169	171	1,560	1,575	264	269	1.9
Iowa	213	208	1,575	1,630	335	339	1.2
Kansas	116	123	1,620	1,630	188	200	6.4
Michigan	355	362	1,765	1,780	627	644	2.7
Minnesota	470	471	1,510	1,495	710	704	-0.8
Missouri	101	95	1,100	1,140	111	108	-2.7
New Mexico	318	324	1,870	1,890	595	612	2.9
New York	610	610	1,560	1,620	952	988	3.8
Ohio	272	270	1,490	1,500	405	405	--
Oregon	115	119	1,565	1,570	180	187	3.9
Pennsylvania	541	543	1,520	1,510	822	820	-0.2
Texas	410	425	1,640	1,720	672	731	8.8
Utah	84	86	1,640	1,590	138	137	-0.7
Vermont	134	135	1,440	1,465	193	198	2.6
Virginia	95	95	1,400	1,430	133	136	2.3
Washington	246	252	1,825	1,820	449	459	2.2
Wisconsin	1,260	1,266	1,585	1,585	1,997	2,007	0.5
23 State Total	8,323	8,404	1,642	1,666	13,670	14,001	2.4

1/ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh. 2/ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

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